

may be called a position of "benevolent neutrality."

In other words, Roosevelt did all he could to boom the insurgent fight against Taft's renomination. He sent word to LaFollette that LaFollette could run and be defeated without being injured. To his friends he said that for him to run and lose would

"spoil his place in history."

I wonder a little whether his place in history has not been now spoiled quite as thoroughly. But I see I can not finish this story today. Permit me to resume tomorrow.

(Quick's next article will appear in The Day Book tomorrow.)

MORE ABOUT WHY TRIBUNE CALLS FORD "ANARCHIST"—HITS WAR TRUST

What's become of the Navy league demand for a congressional investigation of Henry Ford? Has our Illinois senator, Larry Sherman, and his backer, the Tribune, laid down in this fight? We were told a few weeks ago that Ford had paid \$100,000 for printing speeches franked out in millions of copies by Congressman Clyde Tavenner. And the Navy league was going to call Ford and Tavenner before a committee at Washington and show up the lavish expenditure of the Detroit millionaire who hates war.

"The Navy League Unmasked" and "The World-Wide War Trust" are the titles of the two Tavenner speeches. They have been circulated far and wide. They have been sand in the gears of the preparedness propaganda.

A man may go to see "The Battle Cry of Peace" film or stuff himself with Hearst and Tribune editorials on preparedness. But if he has read the Tavenner speeches he sniffs suspicion, smells for rats, and knocks for false panels, whenever the preparedness propaganda appears.

These Tavenner speeches, circulated in millions by the cash outlay of Henry Ford, are the most dangerous anti-militarist literature that has been given wide circulation. They were in part responsible for the amazing Republican majorities for Henry Ford for president in the states of Nebraska and Michigan.

It's work like this that has made Henry Ford a target for the attacks of the Trust Press of Chicago. Ford's

ideas about peace are simple and easy. They are not dangerous unless circulated. He is hated by the Hearst-Tribune samurai because he has driven some hard smashes at the military game as a profit game, a trade of thieves who have already grabbed millions and are after more.

Will the Navy league and its friends, the Tribune and Sen. Sherman, push on their originally announced plan for a congressional quiz of Ford and Tavenner? Or will they permit to go unchallenged the widely circulated statements such as these from "The Navy League Unmasked," wherein Tavenner's talk in congress ran like this:

"I charge that the Chief of Ordnance, who awards these contracts for the army, has awarded contracts running into millions of dollars annually, and he has paid private manufacturers, and particularly the Bethlehem Steel Co., from 20 to 60 per cent more than these supplies would have cost if manufactured in government plants. The man who awards these contracts, Gen. Crozier, was formerly in partnership with the Bethlehem Steel Co. He took out a patent on what is known as the Bufington-Crozier disappearing gun carriage, and he and another army officer, who was, by the way, the preceding chief of ordnance of the army, sold that patent to the Bethlehem Steel Co. for \$10,000; and he went into a contract with the Bethlehem Steel Co., by which he was to receive royalties on all these disap-